



# Press Release

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## **PRESS RELEASE** **March 2 , 2014**

On March 1, 2014, at 2:08 am, units from the Lake County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to an apartment complex at 9880 Old Johnnycake Ridge Rd. in Concord Township regarding a pedestrian accident.

The investigation found that Ashley Prelesnik, age 25 of Concord Township, was pinned between two vehicles, knocked to the ground, and suffered injuries to her leg, hip and head area. She was transported to Tri-Point Hospital by Concord Twp. Fire & Rescue, and was subsequently taken to Cleveland Metro Hospital by Life Flight for further treatment of her injuries.

The investigation revealed that all parties involved are known to each other. The victim, Ashley Prelesnik, was standing near the driver's side window/door of her friend's 2000 Nissan pick-up truck. The pick-up truck was being operated by Samuel Purdy age 27 of Cleveland. As Mr. Purdy was exiting his parking space, pulling forward and making a left turn to exit the parking lot, Ms. Prelesnik was drugged by Purdy's vehicle. After the truck had traveled approximately 20 feet it began to make a left hand turn, and attempted to pass around another vehicle which was stopped in the middle of the row of parking spaces. Ms. Prelesnik was pinned and drugged between the two vehicles. She was knocked to the ground, and suffered injuries to her leg, hip and head area.

This matter is still under investigation by the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

Sgt. Donald Durst